

February 22, 2011

Re: Notice of Regulatory Review Schedule

Dear Tribal Leader:

On behalf of the National Indian Gaming Commission (NIGC or Commission), we invite you to participate in a consultation meeting on the Notice of Regulatory Review Schedule Groups One, Two, Three and Five regulations. This schedule is the result of the NIGC's review and consideration of comments received in response to the Notice of Inquiry published in the Federal Register on November 18, 2010. We know that the best results can be achieved after meaningful consultation with Indian tribes and we look forward to your participation.

The NIGC recognizes and respects the sovereignty of Indian tribes and the government-to-government relationship that exists between the United States and tribal governments. Accordingly, the NIGC committed to implementing the President's November 5, 2009 Executive Memorandum on Tribal Consultation with Indian tribes and Executive Order 13,175 prior to and during any rulemaking process.

As such, we invite all Tribal leaders to share their views with the Commission on Groups One, Two, Three and Five regulations at a consultation scheduled for March 27, 2012 in Mt. Pleasant, MI, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the following location:

Soaring Eagle Casino and Hotel 6800 Soaring Eagle Blvd. Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858 Ojibway Room

Group 1 will include a review of:

(a) Part 559 – Facility License Notifications, Renewals, and Submissions.

Group 2 will include a review of:

(a) Regulations concerning proceedings before the Commission, including: Part 519 – Service, Part 524 – Appeals, Part 539 – Appeals, and Part 577 – Appeals Before the Commission.

Group 3 will include a review of:

- (a) Part 543 Minimum Internal Control Standards for Class II Gaming; and
- (b) *Part 547* Minimum Technical Standards for Gaming Equipment Used with the play of Class II Games.

Group 5 will include a review of:

(a) Part 518 – Self Regulation of Class II Gaming.

For those Tribal leaders unable to attend this consultation, we invite you to submit written comments by e-mail to reg.review@nigc.gov, or by U.S. mail to National Indian Gaming Commission, Attn: Regulatory Review, 1441 L Street, NW, Suite 9100, Washington, DC 20005.

The Commission intends to post comments received and transcripts of each consultation on the NIGC website under the heading "Tribal Consultation," on the left-hand side of the NIGC home page, www.nigc.gov.

For planning purposes, and to accommodate all who want to attend the consultation, please RSVP to Rita Homa, Executive Secretary, at (202) 418-9807 or by e-mail at consultation.rsvp@nigc.gov. Information regarding the time and location of each tribal consultation will be posted on our website.

We are committed to working together on a government-to-government basis to maximize the results of this regulatory review process. We look forward to meeting with you should your schedule allow.

Thank you for your interest and participation in this regulatory review process.

Sincerely,

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